The Outsider

An immigrant from County Clare
brought to this harsher clime-
Phoebe Prince, an Irish rose,
a gentle heart and mind.

First used, and then discarded
by one boy, then another.-
Object of the mean girl's scorn
Phoebe was "the outsider"

On the last day of her short life
They hounded her from school.
The girl they called the "Irish slut"
was made to feel the fool..

Her sister, Lauren, found her body
hanging lifeless in the hall.
Befriended by nobody
Phoebe chose to end it all

And on the day they held her wake
Those monsters held their dance
A debutante cotillion
for a troop of soulless tramps.

She's buried here in County Clare
because the Ocean's waves
separate her from the harpies
who drove her to the grave